

Newfoundland and Labrador College of Medical Radiation Technologists

Insufficient Practice Hours

Purpose:

As set out in the *Medical Radiation Technologists Regulations*, registrants applying for registration or renewal shall provide proof that within the four years immediately preceding the application, the applicant completed the minimum prescribed hours.

MRT - Registering for one discipline

MRTs must have at least 1000 eligible practice hours in that discipline in the previous (4) years.

MRT - Registering for two disciplines

MRTs must have at least 1000 eligible practice hours with at least 400 hours in each discipline in the previous (4) years.

MRT - Registering for three or four disciplines

MRTs must have at least 400 eligible practice hours in each discipline in the previous (4) years.

XHP-Registering as XHP

XHPs must have at least 400 eligible practice hours in the previous (4) years

Definitions:

<u>Eligible Practice Hours</u> - Eligible practice hours are hours worked in the four disciplines of medical radiation technology and X-Ray health professionals in **direct care**, **education**, **research**, **and administration**.

<u>Supervisor</u> - A registered and approved MRT/XHP in the same discipline for which the registrant is being supervised and who has no conditions or restrictions on their registration.

<u>Direct supervised practice</u> - Direct supervision by a supervisor who is in the same facility and in the same room. The supervising MRT or XHP must give the final image/treatment approval.

<u>Indirect supervised practice</u> - Indirect supervision by a supervisor who must be within the facility and accessible via phone or other communication methods to provide timely support when needed.

Policy:

Registrants who have been employed in the past (4) years but do not meet the practice hours require supervised practice and will be registered as general status with restrictions until the required number of hours are obtained.

Supervised Practice Requirements

A Registrant Applying for 1 Discipline:

Registrant applying for registration or renewal in one discipline and has more than 800 eligible practice hours in the previous (4) years, requires indirect supervised practice for 100% of the remaining hours required for registration (1000 hours).

Registrant applying for registration or renewal in one discipline and has less than 800 eligible practice hours requires direct supervised practice until they have reached the balance of 800 hours, and indirect supervised practice for the remainder of the hours required for registration (1000 hours).

A Registrant Applying for 2 Disciplines or More:

A registrant who has under 400 hours in any discipline will require direct supervised practice until the following requirements are met:

- 400 hours per discipline
- Overall balance of 800 hours.

Where the registrant has still not accumulated the hours required for registration (1000 hours), they will require indirect supervised practice for the remainder of the hours.

Procedure:

- 1 Registrant applies for registration or renewal.
- 2. Registrant responsible to secure their own supervisor.
- 3. Registrant to provide NLCHP with a completed Acknowledgement and Undertaking of Supervision form completed by employer, supervisor, and registrant.
- 4. Registrant registered as general status with restrictions.
- 5. Supervisor must provide verification of successful completion of supervised practice hours.
- 6. Registrant registered as general status.

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References

NLCMLS

NSCMRTP

Alliance of Medical Radiation Technologist Regulators of Canada (2018)

https://www.amrtrc.ca/amritrc-members.html